

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the amendments set forth above and the remarks below.

Applicant believes that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was issued due to the absence of claims 1-12 in the application. Applicant makes this submission with a listing of claims 1-12 canceled.

Claims 1-12 are cancelled and Claims 13-23 are pending in the application.

Applicant believes that claims 13, 16-18, and 20-23 are in condition for allowance for which a notice thereof is respectfully requested.

In the event the Examiner does not consider this submission to place the application in condition for allowance, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned.

The Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigning attorney if there are any questions regarding this Amendment or this application.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500845, including but not limited to, any charges for extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136.

Respectfully submitted,

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